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NOTICE OF  
TENTATIVE  
APPROVAL  
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(Page 32 of the  
December 1982 NPI  
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be used on the outcrops  
of the dam.

DIVISION OF OIL,  
GAS AND MINING,  
DEPARTMENT OF  
NATURAL  
RESOURCES IN AND  
FOR THE STATE OF  
UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF  
TENTATIVE AP-  
PROVAL OF THE  
REVISION TO THE  
MINING AND  
RECLAMATION PLAN  
SUBMITTED BY  
CHEVRON  
RESOURCES COM-  
PANY, UINTAH COUN-  
TY, UTAH

THE STATE OF  
UTAH TO ALL  
OPERATORS, TAKERS  
OF PRODUCTION,  
MINERAL AND  
ROYALTY OWNERS,  
AND PARTICULARLY  
ALL PERSONS IN-  
TERESTED IN SEC-  
TIONS 31 AND 32,  
TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH,  
RANGE 22 EAST, AND  
IN SECTIONS 5 AND 6,  
TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH,  
RANGE 22 EAST, UIN-  
TAH COUNTY, UTAH

Notice is hereby given  
that tentative approval  
was given by the Divi-  
sion of Oil, Gas and Min-  
ing, on November 27,  
1985 to Chevron  
Resource Company to  
amend their originally  
approved surface mining  
operations in Section 31  
and 32, Township 2  
South, Range 22 East,  
and in Sections 5 and 6,  
Township 3 South, Range  
22 East, Uintah County,  
Utah to increase capaci-  
ty of the tailings pond.

The name of the min-  
ing operation is Vernal  
Phosphate Operations  
and the person represen-  
ting the company is Mr.  
LeRoy Fyock, Manila  
Star Route, Vernal, Utah  
84078.

Chevron Resources  
Company has fulfilled  
obligations under the  
Utah Mined Land  
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During Operations:

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2. Pending the results  
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and submit for review  
and approval, a final  
revegetation plan for  
reclamation of the tail-  
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submitted within 5 years  
of implementation of the  
test plots.

Stipulation M-10(3),  
(13)-RS

The applicant must ob-  
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Division at least 120 days  
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the facility for designs to  
ensure that the tailings  
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Stipulation  
M-10(12)-LK

Final test plot design  
for the tailing sands must  
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sion for review and ap-  
proval at least 90 days  
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Stipulations  
M-10(14)-JSL

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ted to the Division within  
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By Nancy Colton  
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A. D. 1985.

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3. The tailings dam will be left in a nonimpounding condition by the addition of an emergency spillway.

The plan will be approved with the following stipulations:

Stipulations  
M-3(2)(e)-LK

1. Seed mix No. 1

ten protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 355 W. North Temple, 3 Triad Center, Suite 350, Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203, setting forth factual reasons for his or her complaint, and thereafter, at a time and place to be established, appear before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining to show cause, if any, why this mine plan should not be approved.

DATED this 27th day of November, 1985.

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